

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS:

Please replace the fifth (5th) page and the continuation thereof on page 6 of the specification with the following:

This object is achieved in conjunction with a crossflow-filtration method for beverages, in particular beer, which are fed as the feed liquid at filtration intervals to a filter module with at least one membrane, which is cleaned with a cleaning solution and flushed with water from the filtrate side at cleaning intervals lying between the filtration intervals, the precharacterizing clause of claim 1 by the following steps being carried out:

- a) introduction of the feed liquid into the filter module via a first connection on the unfiltrate side over a predetermined flowing-over time period with an entry pressure which is adequate to keep the filtrate flow on the filtrate side of the filter module within predetermined limit values, and evacuation of the concentrate via a second connection on the unfiltrate side of the filter module,
- b) reduction of the entry pressure at the first connection and backflushing by surges of filtrate with reversal of the direction of flow transversely to the membrane,
- c) repetition of steps a) and b) until the filtrate flow goes below the lower predetermined limit value,
- d) emptying of the filter module by applying pressure,
- e) backflushing of the filter module from the filtrate side with water and subsequently with a solution containing chemicals,
- f) leaving the filter module filled with the solution containing chemicals to rest for a predetermined exposure time,

- g) flushing of the filter module with water until neutrality is established,
 - h) filling of the filter module with degassed water,
 - i) forcing out of the water from the filter module with gas and leaving the filter module to recover and
- continuation with steps a) to k).

Please replace the third paragraph on page 10 of the specification with the following:

Further preferred embodiments of the invention are described in the specification subclaims.